

DEFICIENCY ESTIMATE, SOUTHERN BRANCH NATIONAL
HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS.

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FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

TRANSMITTING

A COPY OF A COMMUNICATION FROM THE SECRETARY OF WAR
SUBMITTING AN ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATION FOR NATIONAL
HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS.

FEBRUARY 11, 1903.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to
be printed.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, February 10, 1903.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the consideration of Congress, copy of a communication from the Secretary of War of the 9th instant, submitting an estimate of deficiency in the appropriation for National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, Southern Branch, Hampton, Va., for the fiscal year 1903, \$15,000, being additional to the sum of \$15,000 included in House Document No. 125, present session (urgent deficiency estimates), page 7.

Respectfully,

L. M. SHAW, *Secretary.*

The SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
Washington, February 9, 1903.

SIR: I have the honor to forward herewith, for transmission to Congress, a deficiency estimate (\$15,000) of appropriation "National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, Southern Branch," required by the Board of Managers National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903.

This estimate for the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers is submitted by the Secretary of War pursuant to the requirements of the statute.

As the Department has no supervision over the expenditure of money and no right to change the estimate, the submission thereof is not to be deemed to involve any expression of opinion by the Secretary of War upon either the necessity of the expenditure or the amount thereof.

Very respectfully,

ELIHU ROOT,
Secretary of War.

The SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS,
New York, N. Y., February 6, 1903.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith an estimate of an additional deficiency appropriation required for the support of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, with the request that it may be forwarded to Congress for its action. This deficiency is explained as follows:

Southern Branch.—Household: \$15,000. This amount is required in addition to the sum included in the former estimate, making the total deficiency of the Southern Branch under this head of expenditure \$30,000. This deficiency has been caused by the high price of coal, due to conditions incident to the strike of the anthracite coal miners, and has been unavoidable. When the deficiency was estimated at \$15,000 it was expected that the price of coal would fall, but the price has continued high, and the additional sum asked for is necessary to provide the required fuel for the use of the Branch during the remaining portion of the fiscal year.

Respectfully, yours,

M. T. McMAHON,
*President Board of Managers
National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.*

The SECRETARY OF WAR,
Washington, D. C.

*Estimates of appropriations required for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903,
by the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.*

WAR DEPARTMENT.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Support National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers—

Southern Branch, at Hampton, Va.:

For household, namely: Expenditures for furniture for officers' quarters; for bedsteads, bedding, bedding material, and all other articles required in the quarters of the members and of civilian employees permanently employed and residing at the Branch, and for their repair, if they are not repaired by the Home; for fuel, including fuel for cooking, heat, and light; for engineers and firemen, bath-house keepers, hall cleaners, laundrymen, gas makers, and privy watchmen, and for all labor, materials, and appliances required for household use, and for their repair, unless the repairs are made by the Home; for the fiscal year 1903 (act of June 28, 1902, vol. 32, p. 470, sec. 1)	\$15,000
Amount appropriated for the fiscal year for which the appropriation is required	73,275

NOTE.—This estimate is in addition to one already made for \$15,000, the total deficiency under household at this Branch for which deficiency appropriation is asked, being \$30,000.